



To: Mayor Jason Ward and Members of Benbrook City Council

From: Joanna King, City Secretary

Subject: Resolution calling November 8, 2022 General Election

Date: July 21, 2022

The general election for Members of the City Council in Places 2, 4, and 6 is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2022. As in the past, the City Secretary requests that the City enter into a Joint Election Contract Agreement with Tarrant County Elections to conduct the election.

The advantages in joining Tarrant County for the November 8, 2022 election include:

- Tarrant County is a "Vote Center" as designated by the Secretary of State. Vote Center is a term used to refer to Countywide Polling Place Program defined in the Texas Election Code. As a Vote Center, Tarrant County voters are allowed to cast their ballots in any polling place in the county during Early Voting and on Election Day.
- Tarrant County provides all necessary voting equipment and obtains polling places, obtains and trains election officials and obtains any necessary Justice Department submissions. In providing the equipment, the necessity of leasing the equipment from another vendor or making an outright purchase is eliminated, resulting in significant savings.

The proposed Resolution is required to list polling place locations for early voting and election day. Tarrant County is in the process of obtaining polling locations. Attachment "A" of the Resolution will be modified once Tarrant County notifies participating entities of those locations.

The 2022 Joint Election Agreement and contract between Tarrant County and the City will be forthcoming. The costs assessed to Benbrook will be in accordance with the total number of political subdivisions contracting for the election.

Staff recommends City Council adopt the Resolution ordering the General Election for November 8, 2022 and authorize the Mayor to execute the joint election contract with Tarrant County.